



## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, across the nation February is recognized as Black History Month, and, in 1976, the designation was formally adopted to honor and affirm its importance. It is important to recognize the positive contributions to our community made by Black Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, from the determination, hard work, intelligence, and perseverance of members of this community, there have been valuable and lasting contributions in our schools, churches, social and economic institutions, and homes; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout our nation's history, Black Americans have honorably answered the nation's call to serve in our armed forces; and

**WHEREAS**, Black History Month should involve youth, as well as adults, of all ethnic groups and foster a spirit of cooperation and mutual respect among all our multi-ethnic communities; and

**WHEREAS**, during this month, all Americans are encouraged to reflect on the past successes and injustices, look to the future, and continue to improve society so that we live up to the ideals of freedom, equality, and justice.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Danielle Johnston, Mayor of Warrensburg, Missouri, along with other members of the Warrensburg City Council, urge all our citizens to work toward creating a community in which Black Americans are respected and recognized for their past, present, and future contributions to our community, the state, country, and the world.

**Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019.**

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**Danielle Johnston, Mayor**  
**Casey Lund, Chairman Pro Tem**  
**Robin Allen, Council Member**  
**Bob Watts, Council Member**  
**Bryan Jacobs, Council Member**

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**Cindy Gabel, City Clerk**